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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated October 20, 2008, having a shortened statutory period expiring on January 20, 2009. Accompanying this response is a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for a two month extension of time, setting a new time for response to March 20, 2009. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

No Amendments to the Drawings are presented in this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

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